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Variety show acts: apply before deadline

By BECKY SWANSON
City Staff

If you sing, dance, roller skate, play an instrument, perform tricks, or can do anything remotely talented, you have until Wednesday to submit your application to the MSC All-University Variety Show.

Applications are available at the secretaries' desk in the Student Programs Office, 216 Memorial Student Center. There is a $5 registration fee for each act.

Auditions will be held Feb. 24-26 in 201 MSC. Ten to fifteen selected acts will compete for top honors in Rudder Auditorium on March 22.

A plaque will be awarded to the winning act and second and third place winners will be announced.

Rehearsals will be held Feb. 18-19 to help acts with technical problems and to "build the confidence" of performers, Katy Campana, chairman of the variety show committee, said.

Technical advisers from the University and surrounding communities will work with the acts during rehearsals, Campana said.

All performers will be informed of the rehearsal schedule during a mandatory meeting Wednesday, she said.

No admission will be charged for the rehearsals or auditions. Admission to the final performance is $1.50 for students and $2 for non-students.

Campana said talent scouts will be present at the finals.

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Health spokesman urge rabies law enforcement

By PETE HALE
City Reporter

A spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Health strongly urges county officials to support and enforce the new Texas Rabies Control Act.

"Rabies and animal control are major problems in many communities, and you are in a position to decide how these problems will be handled," said Dr. Foy V. McCasland Wednesday.

McCasland spoke at the 22nd Annual County Judges and Commissioners Conference being held through today at the College Station Ramada Inn.

The Texas Rabies Control Act, known as House Bill 1323, became effective Jan. 1, forming a legal base for the implementation of county and city programs to curb the growing numbers of rabies cases and uncontrolled animals each year.

McCasland said that until the bill was passed, Texas was one of the few states which did not have a rabies control law. He said Texas rabies cases had steadily increased cases each year since 1973, and noted a marked rise in 1979.

"Texas had over 1,100 cases of confirmed rabies in 1979," he said.

The 1976-77 outbreak of rabies in Laredo is an example of what could happen if the problem is ignored much longer, he said

"That outbreak cost the city over $2.5 dollars."

McCasland said the bill provides legal support for programs designed to immunize all pets against rabies, to require all animal bites be reported to a designated health offi[illegible] and to assist local officials in [illegible] quarantining of biting animals. [illegible] bill also puts controls on the impo[illegible] tion of dogs and other animals [illegible] the state.

McCasland said the health depa[illegible] ment is willing to assist county a[illegible] city officials in establishing facili[illegible] supplying personnel and provid[illegible] educational programs if they [illegible] only ask.

He asked that the programs [illegible] backed up by legal penalties wh[illegible] requirements are not met.

McCasland concluded his spe[illegible] by saying, "I hope that through [illegible] cooperative effort we may pro[illegible] every Texas community from fi[illegible] cial loss, human pain and deaths [illegible] are currently being inflicted by [illegible] highly fatal disease."

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Library multi-media milie

By ROSEMARY ALYEA
Campus Reporter

Adventurer Ham Salad pilots the steam iron as it hurtles through space toward the cavernous jaws of an orbiting waffle iron in an attempt to rescue lovely Princess Anne-Droid from the evil Darph Nader.

Hardware Wars, a parody of Star Wars, is but one of the audio videocassettes available to students and faculty in the Multi-Media Department of the Texas A&M University library.

Located in 208 Sterling C. Evans Library, the Multi-Media Department provides slide viewers, filmstrip viewers, 16mm motion picture projectors, video- and audio-cassette players, an audio-tape player, and a turntable free to students and faculty.

Only the audio-cassette players may be checked out. Other equipment is for use in the library.

Until the new library opened, there was no Multi-Media Department. As with most new programs, the department has only a limited collection now.

The new collection is limited, but it includes complete the plays of Shakespeare and materials in the fields of history, political science, anthropology, biology and education.

The department's aim is to house multi-media and A/V material and equipment supporting the teaching, research or extension functions of the University.

The video-cassettes come from [illegible] Texas State Library through [illegible] Statewide Video Project. Subje[illegible] include knitting, the NOVA ser[illegible] the Time-Life series, canning, [illegible] Adams Chronicles, and even Fa[illegible] Gordon and Paddington Bear.

To use the multi-media facili[illegible] students must fill out a request for[illegible] There is then a waiting period, wh[illegible] varies depending on whether or [illegible] the cassette is in use.

The video-cassette player a[illegible] tapes are issued for three days. [illegible] theory is one day to check it out, o[illegible] day to view to it, and one day [illegible] return it.

The cassette tapes are thre[illegible] fourths of an inch wide and diff[illegible] from most home video systems [illegible] quiring half-inch tape.

There are 25 carrells in the depar[illegible] ment, but they are not set up wi[illegible] the equipment yet. Lytle, howev[illegible] said that there is at least one of ev[illegible] type of equipment set up for stude[illegible] or faculty use.

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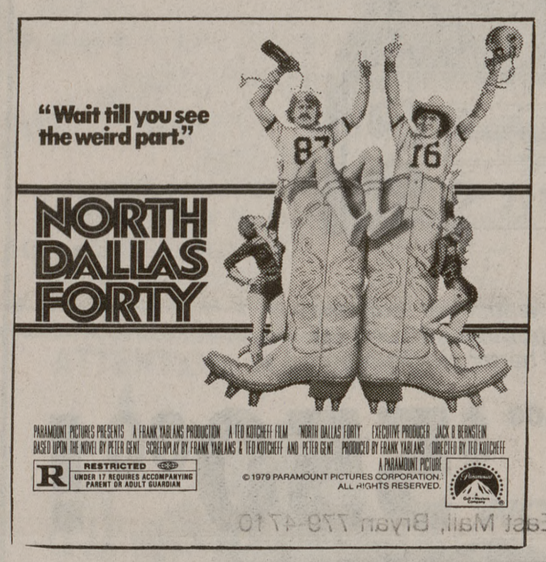

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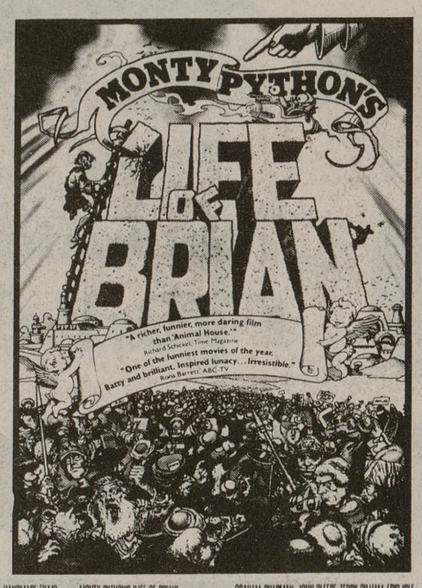

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